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1. US CANNOT ACCEPT DRAFT TEXT ON PRODUCER ASSOCIATIONS REPORTED REFTEL, PRINCIPALLY BECAUSE OF EXPLICIT AND UNQUALIFIED ENDORSEMENT OF SUCH ORGANIZATIONS. THERE ARE OTHER OBJECTIONABLE PASSAGES, INCLUDING THOSE REFERRING TO MOBILIZATION OF SUPPORT FOR PRODUCER ASSOCIATIONS, COORDINATION OF PRODUCTION AND PRICING POLICIES, AND UNILATERAL PRODUCER ACTION TO COUNTERACT PRICE DECLINES.

2. ACCEPTING LANGUAGE WHICH EXPLICITLY OR IMPLICITLY ENDORSES PRODUCER ASSOCIATIONS AND/OR WHICH MAY BE SUBJECT TO, AND INDEED SUGGESTS INTERPRETATIONS DETRIMENTAL TO CONSUMER INTERESTS, WOULD SET UNDESIRABLE PRECEDENT WHICH WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY HAUNT U.S. IN FUTURE EVENTS AND FORUMS.

3. UNLESS, AS SEEMS UNLIKELY, TEXT WERE RADICALLY REVISED TO REMOVE ANY IMPLIED APPROVAL OF ACTION BY OR THROUGH PRODUCER-ONLY ASSOCIATIONS U.S. DEL SHOULD CALL FOR A PARAGRAPH-BY-PARAGRAPH VOTE AND VOTE AGAINST THESE PROVISIONS.

4. FOR PARIS - DEPARTMENT CONCERNED BY FRENCH DEL SUPPORT FOR SUCH LANGUAGE. WHILE WE ARE AWARE OF GOF SUPPORT OF PRODUCER/CONSUMER COMMODITY AGREEMENTS, GOF IN CERDS JOINED MOST OTHER DCS IN OPPOSING ARTICLE FIVE OF CERDS ON PRODUCERS ASSOCIATIONS. (GOF WAS ONE OF 15 COUNTRIES VOTING FOR WESTERN AMENDMENT TO DELETE ARTICLE FIVE. AMENDMENT WAS DEFEATED. THEREAFTER IN PARAGRAPH-BY-PARAGRAPH VOTE, IT WAS RULED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO SEPARATE VOTE ON ARTICLE FIVE OF G-77 DRAFT OR ON OTHER ARTICLES WHERE AMENDMENT TO DELETE HAD BEEN DEFEATED). THIS FRENCH-ALGERIAN TEXT CONFLICTS WITH GOF STAND IN CERDS ON THIS QUESTION. REQUEST EMBASSY TO EXPRESS FOREGOING TO QUAI AND TO SUGGEST THAT INTERESTS OF DCS WILL BE SERVED BY GOF WITHDRAWING SUPPORT FROM LANGUAGE OF THIS SUBSTANCE. KISSINGER

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